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Please respond direct if your office desires to
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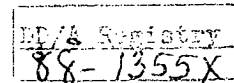


DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Office of the Assistant Secretary
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Executive Assistant to the Deputy Director
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U.S. Central Intelligence Agency
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Dear [Redacted]

On March 24, I was honored to participate in the meeting at which Mrs. Constance Horner, head of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), unveiled OPM's policy on AIDS in the Federal workplace. As you may recall if you attended that meeting, in my remarks I mentioned the Federal Coordinating Committee on AIDS (FCC), which I established in December, 1986, as a forum to update Federal departments and agencies on AIDS activities of the Public Health Service (PHS) and to enlist their help specifically with our information and education efforts.

The purpose of this letter is to invite your department or agency to participate in the FCC, particularly in view of the fact that its mission has not been broadened to encompass all AIDS issues of concern to the Federal establishment, including implementation of the OPM guidelines and coordination of international AIDS efforts on behalf of the U.S. Agency for International Development. However, unlike the Domestic Policy Council, for example, the FCC is not a policy making or policy resolving body. Instead, I view it as a forum for information sharing and for identification and discussion of AIDS issues.

To give you a sense of current FCC activity, I am attaching a current roster (seven departments, six agencies, and three offices within the Executive Office of the President) and a copy of the minutes from the FCC meeting held April 14. As an example of a recent FCC activity, a major priority already under way is to assist OPM and the departments in implementing the OPM guidelines. FCC meetings are held monthly, and the June meeting will be on Thursday, June 30 from 10:30 to noon, in Room 503A, Hubert H. Humphrey Building.

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I feel strongly that expanding the FCC's membership will make it an even more valuable information and coordinative tool as we all address the terrible disease of AIDS. I, therefore, urge your department or agency to consider seriously joining the FCC, and look forward to working with you.

Please contact Winnie Mitchell, FCC Coordinator in the National AIDS Program Office, at 472-4248, with any questions. To notify my office of your desire to join the FCC, please write to Ms. Mitchell at: National AIDS Program Office, U.S. Public Health Service, Room 738G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201.

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. Windom, M.D.
Assistant Secretary for Health

Attachments

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CURRENT ROSTER

FEDERAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON AIDS INFORMATION,
EDUCATION, AND RISK REDUCTION

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
PHS, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
STATE DEPARTMENT

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PEACE CORPS
U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

DOMESTIC POLICY COUNCIL
OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

**FEDERAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
ON AIDS INFORMATION, EDUCATION, AND RISK REDUCTION**

April 14, 1988

Minutes

Dr. Peter Fischinger, PHS AIDS Coordinator
Ms. Winnie Mitchell (formerly Austermann), FCC Coordinator

Attendees

Robert E. Allen, VA
Cheryl Austen, PHS/ASPE
Bob Baitty, PHS/HRSA
Kenneth Bart, A.I.D.
Debi Bowland, DOL
Bruce Byers, USIA
Paul Colborn, DOJ
Anne Guthrie, PHS/ASPE
Jeff Harris, A.I.D.
David Hertzberg, DOS
Allan Heuerman, OPM
David Kleffman, EPA
Marshall Levine, NASA
Walter Lockwood, DOS
Gilda Martogolio, Office of the Surgeon General
Florence Meltzer, PHS/OPA
Marvelu Peterson, VA
Michael Peterson, DOD Health Affairs
Nancy Pindus, Professional Management Associates
Ken Priebe, ACTION
Richard Riseberg, PHS/OGC
Ellen Searcy, NASA
Valerie Setlow, PHS/Office of the AIDS Coordinator
Andy Sumner, HHS/ASPE
Ricky Takai, DoEd

UPDATE ON PHS AIDS ACTIVITIES

Office of the AIDS Coordinator

Dr. Fischinger provided updates on the following:

1. Household Mailer.

On May 4, HHS will hold a press conference to announce the mailer, which will be mailed to every household in America over the week of May 26. Dr. Fischinger noted that the mailer answers basic questions about AIDS in a simple format and seventh grade language.

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2. CDC National Seroprevalence Survey.

Currently, Dr. Fischinger stated, "no one has a good overall sense of what is happening," except that we know that AIDS is a series of "mini-epidemics" with different characteristics. To get an accurate picture of these sub-epidemics, we will need a true random survey for which CDC is currently doing pilot studies. As noted by Dr. Petricciani at the March 17 meeting, the biggest problem CDC is finding in these studies is that of self-exclusion from voluntary testing. For example, 50% of the persons ultimately found to be seropositive in a New Mexico study were in the 18% that had excluded themselves from voluntary testing at the beginning of the study.

3. PHS Planning Conference, Charlottesville, June 2-3.

As reported by Dr. Petricciani earlier, the PHS is holding a working session in Charlottesville on June 2-3 to plan AIDS activities for the next few years. The program areas PHS officials will focus on include:

- o Vaccines and Vaccine Development
- o Therapeutics
- o Pathogenesis and Clinical Manifestations
- o Blood and Blood Products
- o Prevention: Information, Education, and Behavior Change
- o Intravenous Drug Abuse and AIDS
- o Patient Care/Health Care Needs
- o Neuroscience
- o Current Projections

Cross-cutting issues for all groups to consider are:

- o Legal/Ethical Issues
- o AIDS and Women
- o Pediatric AIDS
- o AIDS and Minorities
- o Testing

Coming out of Charlottesville, PHS will have an overall plan for AIDS activities (similar to the Coolfont plan). Dr. Fischinger noted that the President's Commission on HIV will be coming out with its final report and recommendations around the same time.

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4. Meeting on Needle Exchange and Bleach Distribution Programs.

On May 11th, PHS is hosting a small, closed meeting with health commissioners from NYC, NY, and NJ to discuss both the technical details of program protocols and overall policy issues arising from their planned interventions.

DEPARTMENTAL AIDS ACTIVITIES

Dr. Fischinger then turned to Dr. Bart and other FCC members to update each other on the international activities of the various departments and agencies.

International AIDS Activities

Dr. Bart began the discussion by noting that Congress has appropriated \$30M to the U.S. Agency for International Development for international AIDS activities, with \$15M going to the World Health Organization (WHO) and \$15M going to the A.I.D. to "ensure that U.S. bilateral AIDS activities are coordinated internally and with the WHO." He noted that the FCC will serve as a vehicle for such coordination, with agencies keeping each other informed of their efforts and with a data base being developed that is "iterative." Changing the data base will reflect the latest information on programs and budget levels, which will continually be exchanged among those agencies that have international activities, to ensure coordination and enable collaboration. He and Dr. Fischinger then asked for specific information from the individual departments and agencies.

U.S. Agency for International Development

Dr. Jeffrey Harris reported that A.I.D.'s activities fall into three areas: (1) monitoring the impact of AIDS on development; (2) intervening to moderate such impact; and (3) evaluating those interventions. Under monitoring, Dr. Harris noted that A.I.D. has worked with Census to establish a surveillance data base with input from both A.I.D. and the WHO. A.I.D. also sponsored a 1987 conference on the modeling of HIV transmission in developing countries and has now contracted with Dr. Baumgars to continue work on such modeling.

Approximately 20-25% of the global AIDS program budget is devoted to intervention. Currently, 23 countries are doing needs assessments, and A.I.D. is funding or conducting intervention-oriented research on condoms, and on the role of breast feeding, STDs, and contraceptives in HIV transmission. A.I.D. is also studying the use of "testing pools" to sort out HIV+/- before conducting exhaustive testing. Under Project SIDA, A.I.D. is

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now testing five screening tests that are not as complex as the ELISA test and do not require the presence of electricity. A.I.D. is also developing and testing non-reusable disposable syringes as a means of preventing IV drug use transmission of HIV.

Department of State

Mr. Walter Lockwood reported on the status of the Soviet disinformation campaign, which started in 1985 as part of a larger effort to discredit the U.S. In the fall of 1987, however, the Soviets began disavowing the campaign, making more and more frequent positive statements. After some difficulty this March, the U.S. decided to "put the issue behind us," and Assistant Secretary Windom will visit the USSR in the summer.

Department of Defense

Dr. Mike Peterson reported that DOD is conducting seroprevalence surveys with other countries, including: Egypt, the Sudan, and a variety of other North African countries; Peru; and the Philippines. He also noted that DOD has a collaborative pathological laboratory in Zaire, and that DOD works with hospitals in Zambia on epidemiological issues.

Veterans Administration

Robert Allen of the VA then mentioned that the VA has only one international site, the Manila VA Outpatient Clinic. However, the VA regional office in Honolulu coordinates Pacific VA activities and reports that the Honolulu VA Outpatient Clinic is working closely with the Tripler Army Medical Center in caring for AIDS and HIV+ patients. When Dr. Harris, A.I.D., mentioned that one of A.I.D.'s largest programs is in Manila, Dr. Fischinger noted a real potential for collaboration. Dr. Harris also noted that 3% of male prostitutes in Thailand have recently tested positive for HIV.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Dr. Marshall Levine of NASA reported that NASA has cutters off shore whose crews are worried about the quality of available blood supplies. He indicated a real interest in A.I.D.'s less complex screening tests. Dr. Harris stated that the Department of State has established screening for maritime employees overseas.

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At the conclusion of this discussion, Dr. Fischinger urged FCC members with international activities to respond to Dr. Windom's request for specific budgetary and program information for the data base Dr. Bart discussed earlier.

OPM GUIDELINES ON AIDS IN THE FEDERAL WORKPLACE

Dr. Fischinger then turned to Allan Heuerman, OPM, to update the FCC on OPM's work on the guidelines issued on March 24. Mr. Heuerman noted that the guidelines had received "very favorable" media coverage, except for a Washington Times article on Congressman Dannemeyer's letter challenging the health and transmission information on which the guidelines are based.

To date, OPM's follow-through activities include:

- March 24 Briefing for Assistant Secretaries of Management and Heads of Personnel offices with Mrs. Horner, Dr. Windom, PHS, Dr. Petricciani, PHS, and Mr. Ingrassia, OPM.
- April 6 Briefing for members of OPM interagency advisory groups on health policy with IRS, EEOC, GAO, and PHS.

On May 5, OPM will be participating in a session on the guidelines at a meeting of the President's Commission on the Handicapped, and on May 11, OPM will testify on workplace issues before the President's Commission on HIV.

On-going activities include the establishment of an OPM clearinghouse of departmental and agency policies and publications on AIDS. Mr. Heuerman noted that he anticipated numerous disputes and litigation resulting from the guidelines.

Dr. Fischinger then asked some of the other departments and agencies for updates on AIDS training efforts for their employees.

PHS, Health Resources and Services Administration

To date, HRSA has conducted several large-scale information programs for its employees, meeting in smaller groups in each bureau of HRSA. It is currently reviewing a training package of 8-10 programs on AIDS in the workplace.

Veterans Administration

VA is currently working, through its Office of Academic Affairs, to "better package materials" on AIDS in the workplace, which will be made available to the OPM clearinghouse.

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DISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS

Department of Justice

Regarding the DOJ position on anti-discrimination and persons with AIDS, Mr. Colborn noted that Congress has clarified the law on discrimination in the Grove City legislation. Under this legislation, persons infected with the AIDS virus, regardless of whether or not they have AIDS or ARC, are protected under Section 504 so long as they "do not pose a direct threat to the health or safety of others or are unable to perform the duties of their job." He stated that the legislation is very clear on this point.

After Mr. Colborn's update, Dr. Fischinger then adjourned the meeting. THE NEXT FCC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 12TH, IN ROOMS 337A-339A HUMPHREY BUILDING, FROM 10:30 - NOON.